

CLAIMS

1. An image-formed object comprising: an image-receiving sheet; an image, viewable upon exposure to visible light, provided on the image-receiving sheet; and an image, capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light, provided on the image viewable upon exposure to the visible light through a protective layer.

2. The image-formed object according to claim 1, wherein the image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light is not substantially viewable upon exposure to visible light.

3. The image-formed object according to claim 1, wherein the image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light has been formed by thermal transfer.

4. The image-formed object according to claim 1, wherein the image viewable upon exposure to visible light has been formed by thermal transfer.

5. A method for image formation, comprising the step of forming an image viewable upon exposure to visible light, a protective layer, and an image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light in a serial manner on an image-receiving sheet.

6. A thermal transfer sheet for use in the preparation of the image-formed object according to claim 1, said thermal transfer sheet comprising:

a substrate sheet; and, provided on the substrate sheet,

a colorant transfer layer for forming an image viewable upon exposure to visible light, a protective layer transfer layer for forming a protective layer, and a fluorescent color emitting agent transfer layer for forming an image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light.

7. A thermal transfer sheet for use in the preparation of the image-formed object according to claim 1, said thermal transfer sheet comprising:

a substrate sheet; and, provided on the substrate sheet in a face serial manner,

a colorant transfer layer for forming an image viewable upon exposure to visible light, a protective layer transfer layer for forming a

protective layer, and a fluorescent color emitting agent transfer layer for forming an image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light.